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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2004/007779	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 14 July 2004 (14.07.2004)	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) 10/567748
TITLE OF INVENTION IMMOBILISABLE N-HETEROCYCLIC CARBENES		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US KatrIN KOEHLER, et al.		
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